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Attachments: B21-02 - PFAS_Method in Oil_ cover memo for OPP IO review 09 10 2021.docx; Appendix II - PFAS_Method in Oil .pdf; Appendix I - Chemical names .pdf; B21-19 MDA Report 20210909.docx; Appendix I - ACB PFAS_Method in Oil.pdf; Appendix II - Full Analytes Names.pdf

Ed,

As you know, BEAD's Analytical Chemistry Branch has been working to complete 2 PFAS-related documents. Please see attached for those documents and our proposed process for releasing the documents and to whom. OCSPP Comms (Shamus and Rhina) is aware of these documents, as are Beth Garcia and ICRB, who will be coordinating communications with the Maryland Department of Ag, Maryland Department of the Environment, and Region 3. I'm copying them on this note to keep them in the loop.

- 1) **PFAS Oily Method** (titled B21-02) – This is a memorandum describing ACB's method for testing PFAS in oily substances. As you may recall, this method was very close to release until a couple of weeks ago when ACB determined that additional investigation of some of the results with more precise equipment would be needed to definitively conclude the presence of PFAS. That change is reflected in the attached method. For release, we propose the following:
 - a. Update PFAS Packaging Qs n As
 - b. Post on the web page at the following locations on 9/30: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-analytical-methods>; <https://www.epa.gov/pesticides/pfas-packaging>
 - c. OPP Update on 9/30. This update could also cover the MD results.
- 2) **Permanone Report** (titled B21-19) MDA report)– This report describes ACB's results of the testing of Permanone, a mosquito product in storage at the Maryland Department of Agriculture and identified by PEER as containing PFAS. As you may recall, additional testing at ACB concluded that this product does not contain PFAS. That is reflected in the attached report. For release, we propose the following:
 - a. Transmit to Maryland Depts of Ag and the Environment on 9/30; teleconference with Maryland to discuss on immediately following.
 - b. Coordinate with MD on communications to ensure alignment of messaging around ACB's results. Revised Qs n As accordingly.
 - c. If Maryland chooses to post, we can also post on the following page under the Q on Permanone 30-30 <https://www.epa.gov/pesticides/pfas-packaging#info>

In discussing with Cheryl, Comms is recommending we do the above on 9/30 to follow announcement of the national PFAS strategy (~9/24). In addition, Comms is planning to discuss this during their general with Michal next week.

Please let us know if you are OK with this approach, and we'll proceed as described above in partnership with Shamus, Rhina, Beth, and Kaitlin's group, along with signing and PDFing complete documents on the day of release.

HUGE thanks to Thuy, Yaorong, and Yan for their hard work on this issue, excellent communications, and willingness to participate in the many external meetings & conversations around this controversial topic. Thank you, ACB!

Best,
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